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Interview Summary	Application No. 10/718,857	Applicant(s) CRAWFORD ET AL.	
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Date of Interview: 18 September 2008.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: ____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: Nandigama and Corral.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: We discussed the fundamental ideas behind the Application pertaining to the top-down nature of using common metrics across a number of product phases. We also discussed issues regarding the use of the term "goal" in the context of the claims and some associated section 112 issues regarding possible enablement problems in the specification. Finally, we described some of the issues regarding the Section 101 methods claims.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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